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**METHOD OF PRODUCING THERMALLY  
SPRAYED METALLIC COATING WITH  
ADDITIVES**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following  
amendment:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 21, with the following  
paragraph:

A method of thermally spray coating a cylinder wall of a light metal engine  
block includes providing high velocity oxygen-fuel (HVOF) device and advancing a feed wire  
of ferrous-based material into the HVOF device to locate a tip end of the wire in a high  
temperature zone of the HVOF device. High velocity jet flows of oxygen and gaseous fuel are